

MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF IRVINGTON, NEW YORK HELD ON MONDAY MARCH 21, 1994 8:00 P.M. TRUSTEES MEETING ROOM, 85 MAIN STREET, IRVINGTON, NEW YORK.

Present: Robert D. Reisman, Mayor
Dennis P. Flood, Trustee
Robert H. Pouch, Trustee
Kevin Plunkett, Village Attorney
Stephen A. McCabe, Administrator
Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer
Robert M. Bauer, Superintendent of Public Works
Eugene Hughey, Building Inspector

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Reisman who led the attendance in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Reisman opened the floor to public comment. Connie Porter asked the Board whether it had made any decisions on the pipeline issue. Mayor Reisman responded by stating that he favored adopting a resolution opposing the pipeline, however, such a resolution required a vote of the full Board.

Mayor Reisman opened the discussion relating to Legend Laundry & Cleaners' request for approval of a hawking and peddling permit. He indicated that based upon an unfavorable report from Police Chief Richard Denike regarding traffic, the Board was not prepared to issue the requested permit. Mr. David Gonzalez, co-owner of Legend Laundry & Cleaners, spoke in favor of the request. Mr. Stephen Kolbay, president of the Irvington Chamber of Commerce, indicated that there would be a traffic nuisance created, more pollution on Main Street, and unfair competition to Village businesses. Mr. Gladke spoke against the issuance of the permit. Mayor Reisman indicated that any decision that the Board makes will be based upon the traffic situation and not on competition issues. After the discussions ended on this matter, Mayor Reisman indicated that the Board would not issue the requested permit. He also indicated that this decision would stand unless otherwise advised by the Police Chief.

Mayor Reisman introduced the Public Hearing on legislation to amend the Irvington Zoning Code and the related SEQRA. Upon a motion made by Trustee Flood and seconded by Trustee Pouch and unanimously approved, the Board declared itself lead agency with respect to the environmental assessment review pursuant to a proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance regarding resource protection procedures with respect to site capacity. The Board noted no objections to said declaration.

Mayor Reisman and the members of the Board indicated that the Board has taken a hard look at the aforementioned EAF since February 7, 1994. He acknowledged that input was received during the comment period from Westchester County and the Irvington Environmental Conservation Board. These comments were erroneously directed at the planning process of a particular piece of property rather than the proposed zoning amendment being considered. The Board determined that the proposed action was a Type I action pursuant to SEQRA. After a thorough discussion and hard look at the EAF, the Board on motion of Trustee Flood and seconded by Trustee Pouch and unanimously approved, issued a negative declaration. A negative declaration will be filed as directed by law.

Mayor Reisman opened the public hearing with respect to a proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance regarding resource protection procedures with respect to site capacity. He began by providing a brief history of the issue. Brenda Livingston commented upon the Planning Board's indemnification in this process. Village Attorney Kevin Plunkett indicated that the Planning Board is covered, as always, under the Public Officers Law Section 18 and Village Public Officials' Insurance as long as they are acting in an authorized capacity. Trustee Pouch commented that this amendment would move the Village towards wiping the slate clean with respect to the related litigation. There being no further discussion on this matter, Mayor Reisman closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Trustee Pouch and seconded by Trustee Flood and unanimously approved to adopt the aforementioned proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance.

A motion was made by Trustee Flood and seconded by Trustee Pouch and unanimously approved to approve the minutes of the Village Board meeting of February 21, 1994 as amended.

Mayor Reisman reviewed correspondence from: Fred Reitbauer, Richard Zurrow and Steve Kolbay. Copies of the correspondence is attached hereto as a part of these minutes.

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Mayor Reisman reported on water department activities including the progress of the Catskill pump station bids and the Spring hydrant flushing, scheduled for April 4, 1994 between 8 pm and 1 am.

Trustee Pouch indicated that, as in prior years, the Recreation department has had discussions with Mercy College regarding the use of ball fields for Recreation programs. He indicated that negotiations with the School District regarding JORAM are continuing. He noted that Village Administrator Steve McCabe has prepared RFP's for the Burnham building project and will be sending them out by the end of March. In addition, the Board authorized the Library Board to continue to pursue a federal funding grant.

Trustee Flood reported that there had been a meeting on March 19, 1994 with several members of the Affordable Housing project team. He announced that there is a Cable TV Committee meeting scheduled for March 22, 1994. Barbara Denyer inquired as to whether the RFP's which are currently under development would contain a provision to keep the West wall of the Church intact. Steve McCabe stated that RFP requested two separate options: with the West wall and without the West wall.

Trustee Flood indicated that the Village had received sealed bids for the sale of 3 surplus vehicles: 1980 Suburban; 1986 Chevrolet; 1965 Maxim Pumper. A motion was made by Trustee Pouch and seconded by Trustee Flood and unanimously approved to award the sale of the vehicles to the respective high bidders. The results of the bidding are attached hereto as a part of these minutes.

Mayor Reisman announced the release and filing of the 1994-95 Tentative Budget. He outlined the budget and indicated that it proposes a tax rate increase of 1.9%. Connie Porter commended the Board on good track record of low budget increases. A round of applause ensued.

Village Administrator Steve McCabe indicated that on March 5, 1994, a large rock had fallen from private property onto Fieldpoint Drive. He noted that this had prompted an examination of the rockfall area by an expert. Based upon the opinion of the expert, the Village decided to close for an indefinite time period, the portion of Fieldpoint Drive affected by this situation, namely East of Westwood Circle and West of Greenway Drive.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Flood and seconded by Trustee Pouch and unanimously approved, the Board approved payment of the March bills subject to audit.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded and unanimously approved, the Board adjourned to executive session to take up litigation and personnel matters.

After reconvening from executive session, upon motion by Trustee Flood and seconded by Trustee Pouch and unanimously approved, the Board authorized the following salary increases retroactive to June 1, 1993. In addition, the Board authorized the Clerk-Treasurer to make the appropriate transfers from Contingency to provide for the following raises:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Adjusted 6/1/93 Salary</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Steve McCabe	60,375	2,875	plus \$3,000 bonus
Robert Bauer	60,375	2,875	
Joseph Archino	49,560	2,360	
Lawrence Schopfer	47,250	2,250	
Donald Casadone	50,925	2,425	
Florence Costello	30,450	1,450	includes salary adjustment of \$2,850
Mary Ruffler	28,035	1,335	
Maureen Esperito	28,726	1,626	
Raymond Cavallo	26,500	1,500	
Ana Maria Kusiak	27,000	4,000	
Valerie Riddick	22,050	1,050	
Pamela Schwarten	9,259	356	
Mario DiFelice	15,017	578	
Joan Armstrong	11,466	441	
Lenore Munigle	27,430	1,180	
Agnes Sinko	43,890	1,890	
Pamela Perricone	15.55/hr	0.59/hr	
Pam Strachan	11.32/hr	0.57/hr	
Gretchen Guise	8.75/hr	0.35/hr	
Barbara Sciulli	10.21/hr	0.39/hr	

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There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned.

Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer

Attachments